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Interconnect Structure Employing Air
Gaps Between Metal Lines and
Between Metal Layers**

RESPONSE TO NOTICE REGARDING DRAWINGS


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Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Notice Regarding Drawings dated March 24, 2006, please find enclosed thirteen (13) sheets of formal drawings for the above-identified application, which include amendments to Figures 1 through 35 as required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948), dated March 24, 2006. Issue fee payment has been previously submitted. An early issuance of the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted;
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